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(A UNIT OF CHEVALIER CHARITABLE SOCIETY)

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Christmas Message: "GOD MANIFESTS HIMSELF TO US IN THE FORM OF THE HELPLESS AND THE STRICKEN"







Dear Fr/Br/Mr/Mrs/Miss/Dr,

Greetings from the MSC Mission Office India!

It gives me tremendous joy and bliss to write this Christmas message to all in the first edition of "Mission Outreach". Christmas reminds us that we – you and I – are the beloved of the Lord. Yes, my dear friends, Christmas proclaims the good news that we are the beloved of God. If we are the beloved of God, we must celebrate his divine presence in the midst of poor and the needy. I hope that the following story may help us to find the child Jesus in the poor and the needy.

The psychologist, Coleman, tells a simple story of Tom. Tom was a boy of fourteen. He had heard and read a lot about God, but he had not seen God. He had a desire to lunch with God. One day, taking his lunch packet with him, he set out in search of God. He wandered through the streets, parks and market places. But he could not find God. At last, Tom, tired and disappointed, decided to rest and refresh himself with his lunch.

As he started opening the lunch packet, he saw an old lady in shabby clothes watching him. Tom slowly moved to the old lady and offered her a piece of bread. The lady took the piece of bread with a pleasant simile – "a smile that seems rather divine than human". Tom was very much taken up by that smile. He offered her another piece of bread. Again the old smiled at him. And the smile captivated Tom. He sat down with the lady to share his lunch. After the lunch they entered into a conversation – sweet and lovely – until it was too late for Tom to return home.

A happy and thrilled Tom reached home and told his mummy: "Mom, today I had lunch with God! But do you know mummy, that God was a bit too old! The old lady also returned home and told her children: "You see, I had lunch with God! But you know that God was a bit too young!"

When we love our brothers and sisters who are really in need of drinking water, educational and medical assistance, God is born in our hearts. Let this Christmas celebration enables us to lunch with God, so that God may be born again in our lives in our families and in our society with his divine peace, joy and happiness.

Wishing you a Happy Christmas & Happy New Year 2012

Thanking you,
Yours in the Heart of Jesus,
Fr. John Chinnapan, MSC
(MSC Mission Office Director, India)



MESSAGE

MSC Mission Office India,
I am glad that Mission Office is coming with its first Indian edition magazine named Mission Outreach to make known its important VISION AND MISSION. I appreciate all the ministry here in India to people who are in need. On behalf of the Indian Union I wish and pray for its success and best wishes to all!

Fr. Joseph Christy, MSC
(Union Superior)



The main purpose of Mission Outreach, a newsletter of the MSC Mission Office India, is a unit of Chevalier Charitable Society is to inform the people of India about our Missionary work in the world today. We will suggest areas where you can assist us by your prayers, financial support and by becoming lay, religious or priest missionaries.



Mission Office Brothers, India

Vision & Mission

MSC Mission Office India is a unit of Chevalier Charitable Society which is in cooperation and collaboration with Rev. Fr, Adrin Meaney and MSC Mission Office Australia. It is a grass roots organization which envisions a social order build on a qualitative education for the disadvantaged children, youths and providing clean water facility to the deprived people who are affected socially, economically and politically irrespective of class, caste, creed and religion gets groomed into a 'wholesome' person to befit the mainstream of the society. Children are self-reliant individuals contributing positively to Family, Community, Nation and Humanity.

Clean Water Programme:

Bangalore is the pivotal centre of our charitable activities. We provide drinking water to poor people who live around the centre who are mostly migrants from northern Karnataka and have no access to good drinking water facility. The centre in Bangalore is visited everyday by many poor people for various kinds of needs. We provide short term and also long term financial assistance to the poor in meeting their basic needs. Several of them are given monthly assistance.





Chevalier Study Centre for Boys & Girls
Gengapuram, Vellore, Tamil Nadu

Chevalier Evening Tuition Center caters for 150 boys and girls, aged 11 to 17, from underprivileged backgrounds. Most of these children, and their families, were affected socially, economically and politically and considered the low caste people.





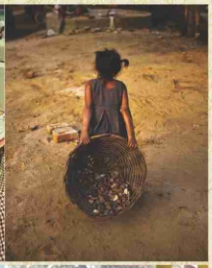
Chevalier Academy for Boys & Girls
Dindigul, Tamil Nadu

Chevalier Academy caters for 350 boys & girls, aged 3 to 14, from underprivileged backgrounds. Most of these children, and their families who live below poverty line. We the missionaries of the Sacred Heart have adopted 3 villages and are educating them with a qualitative education from 2005 on.

India Extreme: Presenting a country juxtaposed between centuries, the contradiction that is India.

India's universities and placements boast of international standards, and the country is seen as an emerging new academic destination globally. Yet, India has one of the largest illiterate populations in the world, with the highest number of labourers under 14 years of age. A UNESCO report estimates that 72 million primary school children are not in school, with a staggering 12.6 million children engaged in hazardous occupations.





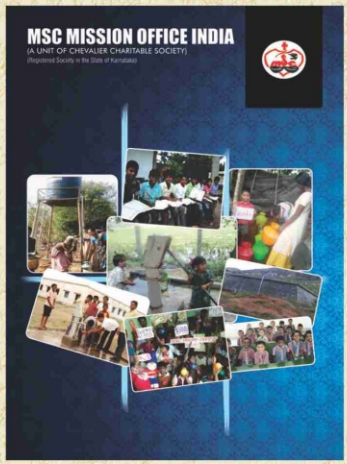
The National Commission for Women describes water as the most commercial product of the 21st century. Growing populations and changing lifestyles have led to an increased demand for fresh water; while agricultural, industrial and domestic sectors push the water tables deeper underground. In many villages, women have to walk distances of 2.5 to 5 km to fetch water. This time spent in fetching this water is equivalent to 150 million women days, and translates into a loss of 1000 crore per year. In callous contrast, water-themed parks have been spreading across the country, with viral popularity. Almost blind to the way the other half lives, the parks are always packed, as young and old alike, revel in the thrill of a water fight.





PROJECT INCOME & REPORT April 2010 - December 2011
Amounts are in INR (₹)

STATE	WATER	DIS YOUTH EDUCATION	MASS OFFERINGS	FORMATION	(CONSTRUCTION)	HEALTHCARE (MONTHLY ASSISTANCE)	GENERAL (OFFICE)	TOTAL
KARNATAKA	8,24.800.50	2,65,471.50	94,000.00	5,82,228.00	–	3,44,820.00	4,20,750.00	**25,32,070.00**
TAMIL NADU	3,36,853.25	33,79,651.00	–	–	8,87,934.75	–	–	**46,04,439.00**
ANDHRA PRADESH	3,21,000.00	1,39,890.00	–	–	–	–	–	**4,60,890.00**
TOTAL	**14,82,653.75**	**37,85,012.50**	**94,000.00**	**5,82,228.00**	**8,87,934.75**	**3,44,820.00**	**4,20,750.00**	**75,97,399.00**



GRATITUDE letters:

We, the people of Peenachipatty expresse our sincere attitude of gratitude for providing us with a borewell, pipe lines and syntax tank for getting sufficient water for our drinking and daily usage. We will never forget your help. We thank Fr. Adrian from Australia and Fr. John Chinnapan, the Director from India for your great help.

Mr. Kulandai Samy
(Head man of the Village)



I am very glad to thank you for your immense help for the water facility (borewell) in our school. The fund you gave me is utilized appropriately for our school's borewell. The school children are getting enough water for their daily usage. Once again thanking you and praying for you. I am also grateful for your timely support to our disadvantaged children and youths for their educational assistance. The children and the parents are pleased with our MSC presence and our support. Children are getting a qualitative education and doing well in their exams. Once again thank you Fr. Adrian Meaney, Mission Office Australia and India for your enormous contribution for the right cause.

Fr. Mariadoss, msc
(St. Antony's Parish Priest & Chevalier Academy Correspondent, Dindigul, TN, India)





Dear Fr. Adrian Meaney and Donors,
It is with deep gratitude that we, the St. Antony of Padua parishioners express our sincere gratitude to you for these years especially in the last academic year. This support for disadvantaged youths, children education and the evening tuition center mean a great deal for us. We are very proud to share this MSC family connection with you. Thank you very much for your constant support and the immeasurable impact on our parishioners.

Fr. Rafael, msc
(St. Antony's Parish Priest, Vellore, TN. India)

I personally thank you for your generosity in sanctioning the water project for our school children. Now we have good water to drink here in the school because of your project. The children are very happy and asked me to give you their regards and thanks as well. Rev. Fr. Adrian we appreciate your great work around the world. I take his opportunity to welcome you to our school to visit us when you come to India.

Fr. Joji Babu, msc
(Sacred Parish Priest & St. John's High School Correspondent, Pamidipadu, Andhra Pradesh, India)

Greetings from Mr. Victor (Village head man)! Thank you very much for providing our village people with drinking water and the pipe lines. It is the mission office brought smile on us and above all you have quenched thirst with the life giving water. We will remember your great help forever.

Mr. Victor
(Head man of the Village, Rathanapuri Village, Mysore, Karnataka, India)



We sincerely thank you for the funds received from Mission Office India for the construction of a tank of 50 liters capacity, the motor and the pipe lines. We are able to get plenty of water for our villagers. On behalf of my village people I thank you for your great support and we pray for you and for all those who helped us to get good drinking water.



Dear Fr. Adrian and Mission Office Confreres, Thank you very much for your constant support to our young seminarian formation and their college studies. Please continue to support us so that our seminarian will be well equipped with knowledge and become the heart of Jesus on earth through their priestly ministry.

Fr. Julius Kumar, msc
(Scholasticate Superior











I take this opportunity thank the Mission Office for providing us the clean water project. St. Anne's Parishioners and St. Antony's Rural High School children are about 600 and they are enjoying sufficient water from this project. We appreciate and pray for your mission, may you be the living fountain for all those who thirst. Thank you.

Fr. Franklin, CPPS, *Parish Priest, Sandanapalayam, Mysore*

MSC MISSION OFFICE
BROTHERS' ACTIVITIES AND EXPERIENCES

From the Mission Office Brothers, India







On behalf of MSC Mission Office Brothers, I take this opportunity to share our remarkable experiences during this year.

As brothers in formation, involvement in the mission work has been enriching us in all levels. Because it helps us to experience the spirit of service and mission that Fr. Jules Chevalier envisaged for the society as whole and also prepares us for our future ministry. At the same time, it also positively challenges us to come to the real life of the people in and around us and the need to be personally involved in the work of God any little way we could. Our mission work has been regular every month under the able-guidance of our director, Fr. John Chinnapan msc, who has been inspiring and enthusiastically making us involve ourselves in the mission work.

Among the mission works that we have undertaken so far, a few are indeed noteworthy and need to be mentioned.

- **Educational Help to Disadvantaged Youth and Children:** The Mission Office India is involved with over 630 School dropouts preparing them for potential entry into the formal education system, and also the retention of vulnerable children within the existing framework by providing them remedial support services. Education is a basic right of every child. We helped the children to be self-reliant for a bright future. The urban deprived children of Bangalore and its suburbs are lacking some of the basic rights even today, of which education is the most important.

- **Food Distribution and Provision:** The people in the slum (especially in L.R.Nagar, which is one of our mission stations at present, and also people in K. R. Nagar) go without a meal for a day; especially the children go without food or go out in search of job but finding none. Hence we decided to provide a meal for them on that particular day. I am sure that already there is a question in your mind "how long will you provide food for them or how many times a day or week could we provide food for them?" Thus, we also have undertaken the census of a few families that are either abandoned women with children, widows and elderly parents; to whom we plan to provide monthly provision which has been already actualized, but however we will also keep track of their conditions, accordingly we will be able to provide.







- **Diwali Celebration:** Diwali is the festival of lights, celebrated in India. This festival systematically means to show it dispels of the darkness, sufferings and sorrow and dawning of lights, peace and happiness. On these festival days, while whole India celebrates with great delight, with firing the crackers, the children from our mission places go without any means of celebration or this feast has no meaning to them. Thus, we the mission brothers in India, on that day went to spend our time with them, by firing some crackers. Our presence on that day with the children brought joy and happiness to them. This joy of celebration the feast brought hope to the children and this experience also revived our spirit of working the thirst of peoples craving for love, recognition and presence.



- **Health Care:** We also have undertaken the mission of caring and supporting the sick and suffering. This involves being with them and supporting morally, as well as helping them financially to meet their medical expenses and giving them hair cut to the street and slum children in a little way we could and moreover praying for them as a unit of Mission Office Brothers.



Overall, the mission works have been a source of inspiration for our mission work and it also plays a great role in shaping and supporting us in our formation to the priesthood as Missionaries of the Sacred Heart.



Brothers providing medicine



Bro. Raghu Immanuel, msc
(MSC Mission Office Brothers, India)

Rejoice with us



Dear Fr. Dennis Murphy, msc

At this auspicious occasion of your
60TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION,
the Union of India takes this opportunity to congratulate you for your dedicated service as a dynamic leader for the spiritual as well cultural growth of the Indian Union. May the Lord, who has anointed you to be His Priest, fill you with His innumerable Blessings, Wisdom and Love on this day and in the years to come. Accept our prayers and best wishes!

Dear Fr. Adrian Meaney, msc

"Fly in the plane of ambition,
and land on the airport of success,
Luck is yours,
wish is ours
may your future
always shine. . .
With lots of love
"Happy BIRTHDAY TO YOU".
By Indian Union



Our Ambitions...



Nancy - VI
'Doctor'



Edwin - V
'Software Engineer'



Navitha - III
'IAS Officer'



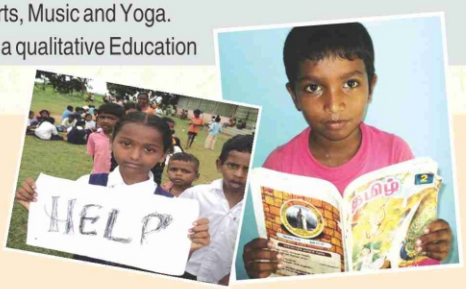
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Wishing you a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year 2012

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